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THURSDAY NIGHT

The appointment of Mr. Churchill to be Minister of War, causing quite a flutter among parties in the House of Commons.

Evyn Cecil will ask the Prime Minister on Friday whether, in view of the which exists in many quarters, the inclusion of Mr. Churchill in the Government, and particularly at this juncture, is a national necessity. The Minister of Munitions is a national figure, and he will give a day for the discussion of the appointment. Major Newson, a Unionist member for the Enfield division of Middlesex, has called his constituents together to discuss his appointment, and states that he feels that he can no longer continue to represent the constituency, and gives the same loyal support to the Government, and declines to be reckoned as a resigner.

which includes Mr. Churchill Montagu. In the House of Lords early date Lord Beresford will call to "recent appointments Majesty's Government, and move a resolution thereon."

Meanwhile at a meeting of the Business Committee held to-day Henderson in the chair) the appointments were among the matters considered. Sixty members were present, and strong criticism was heard, though there was no attempt to deal with the subject. It was agreed to refer the matter to a sub-committee.

One of the reasons alleged for Churchill's promotion is that it strengthens the oratorical power of the Ministry to have included in "a department of the first rank, agile and incisive," which is precisely what Mr. Churchill is.

He is an excellent speaker provided he has time for preparation, but as a debater he is notoriously ineffective. All Mr. Churchill's great speeches have been delivered after he has burned a good deal of midnight oil over their composition. When he has to speak on the spur of the moment he has rarely risen to the occasion, and has more than once been completely broken down.

Sir Edward and Lady Carson left Ireland this evening for Belfast, where the right hon. gentleman is to-morrow to deliver the freedom of the city. Some of the

ut four or five of these gentlemen remained for the debate on the Irish Education Estimates to-morrow.' Among these is Sir John Lonsdale, the Chairman of the Irish Unionist Party, who, however, I regret to learn, has been medical-ly considered to take a month's rest as soon as possible.

The demonstration this afternoon of measures for giving warning of an impending air raid was not very successful. The shouts could be heard by the thousands of people out on the tops of houses and chimneys for miles round.

ing for them, but in the street they did not be heard in the roar of omnibuses. It seems certain that something of a local in character than the methods already tried will have to be adopted. London is a very big place and very noisy, and an explosion in one part of the City would be very loud, indeed, to be heard on the other side. The houses are too tall for anything to be seen in the small patch allotted to each street, and, if there were smoke clouds this afternoon, I have no doubt anybody who saw them.

Mr. Newman had several questions on the paper to-day. As

Major Newman is followed by a permanent delivery in a piping voice by Mr. Reddy, who wages a perpetual war with the hon. member for Enfield. On occasion, however, Mr. Reddy was asked, "or I am sure he would have had a very good comment to make, for one of Newman's questions related to the employment of a German barber by members of the D.M.P. The Chief Minister, in reply to Mr. Lynch, said he would make a statement to-morrow regarding particulars of the new grant for primary education. Mr. Dillon

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prevent the discussion of that
Mr. Bonar Law assured him that
not.

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on of a paper entitled *The New*
although, according to his
it advocates Republicanism only
democratic manner. He was obviously
unplussed when the Home Secre-
tary informed him that the Censor had not
taken his own initiative, but at the
request of the printers of the journal in
London.

Nevertheless, he persisted in
trying to move the editor to

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so that members will have two
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Among these the new appoint-
e Ministry will doubtless be

There are obvious reasons for these losses, as to do valuable information to the is as well to bear the fact comparing our losses with enemy, otherwise an unduly might be formed.

Hearn, the new member for Dublin, took his seat to he somewhat resembles Whether his well-nourished will survive the Spartan the Kitchen Committee

Montagu of Beaulieu, and Mr. Peto, M.P., Minister of Munitions to announce to the recent Order of any more sporting was pointed out that the would seriously interfere with the game that feed on grain supplies, and it was specifically the thinning of grouse absolutely necessary to of a great part of the station came away with at there is likely to be of the Order.

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